LOS ANGELES DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION TACTICAL RIFLE COURSE

COURSE TITLE: FIREARMS/TACTICAL RIFLE

Includes shoulder-fired weapons other than shotguns

SECONDARY TITLE: TACTICAL RIFLE OPERATORS COURSE

COURSE NUMBER: 32075

COURSE HOURS: 16

COURSE GOAL: To provide students with the information and hands-on experience needed to

effectively use a rifle

AUDIENCE: Los Angeles District Attorney Investigators (PC 830.1) who are being

familiarized to a rifle and will qualify along with carry it on duty in the scope of

their employment

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Under the supervision of a qualified instructor, and using an approved law enforcement rifle, each student will:

- I. Demonstrate their understanding of the Four Basic Safety Rules for handling firearms.
- II. Demonstrate the ability to field strip the weapon and to properly clean and maintain it.
- III. Be provided with and demonstrate understanding of the agency policy regarding the use of firearms.
- IV. Demonstrate the ability to properly load, unload, and fire the weapon and to clear malfunctions that might occur with the weapon.
- V. Demonstrate the ability to apply the fundamentals for rifle marksmanship to fire accurately from the prone, kneeling and standing positions.
- VI. Demonstrate proficiency with the weapon and obtain agency qualification.

REQUIRED CONTENT

Commission Regulation 1081

- (1) Law Update
- (2) Review of Use of Force Issues, Agency Policies, and Mission
- (3) Safety Issues
- (4) Nomenclature, Specifications, and Capabilities
- (5) Firearm Care, Breakdown, and Cleaning
- (6) Tactical Considerations
- (7) Skill Development and Qualification

EXPANDED COURSE OUTLINE

- I. Laws and Agency Policy
 - A. Penal Code section 32610(b)
 - 1. Possession of Within Scope of Employment
 - B. Penal Code section 33220(b)
 - 1. Training requirement
 - C. Agency Firearms Use and Use of Force Policies
 - 1. Use of Force options
 - 2. Department Policy
 - D. Law Update
 - 1. Tennessee vs. Garner
 - 2. Graham vs. Conner
- II. Safety and Range Rules
 - A. The Four Basic Safety Rules include
 - 1. Treat all guns as if they are loaded.
 - 2. Never point the muzzle at anything you are not willing to destroy.
 - 3. Keep your finger off the trigger until your sights are on the target.
 - 4. Always be sure of your target and beyond.
 - B. Range Rules
 - 1. After weapons have been grounded, and the line has been called safe by an instructor do not touch the weapon until all students are back from their targets, and the instructor has given the okay.
 - 2. If a problem arises on the line, raise your non-gun-hand to summon an instructor.

III. Nomenclature, Specifications and Capabilities

- A. Nomenclature
 - 1. Front and Rear Sights
 - 2. Bolt Catch
 - 3. Magazine Release
 - 4. Safety/Selector
 - 5. Magazine
 - 6. Sling and Sling Attachments
- B. Specifications
 - 1. Type of Weapon
 - 2. Barrel Length
 - 3. Overall Length
 - 4. Caliber
 - 5. Magazine Capacity
 - 6. Weight (empty)
 - 7. Type of Sights
 - 8. Approximate Muzzle Velocity
- C. Capabilities
 - 1. Maximum Range
 - 2. Maximum Effective Range
 - 3. Penetration of Soft Body Armor
 - 4. Full/Semi-Automatic
- IV. Firearm Care, Disassembly/Assembly, and Maintenance
 - A. Refer to the manufacturer's care and operation manual.
- V. Basic Shooting Skills
- VI. Clearing Malfunctions and Stoppages
- VII. Tactical Considerations
- VIII. Shooting Decision
 - A. Know your abilities and limitations, and those of your weapon.
 - B. Exercise fire discipline within agency guidelines and the parameters of applicable State and Federal laws.
- IX. Skill Development
 - A. Dry Firing Exercises
 - B. Live Firing Exercises

C. Tactical Rifle Proficiency and Qualification Course

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